

ABSTRACT

The instant invention is a compact carabiner locking mechanism contained within the carabiner gate. The locking mechanism incorporates a means to disable the gate return spring mechanism and thereby prevent movement of the gate. A low profile external protrusion on one side of the gate is pushed to unlock the gate return spring mechanism, which allows the gate to be opened. Similarly, another low profile external protrusion on the other side of the gate is pushed to lock the gate return mechanism. The locking and unlocking protrusions are located adjacent the gate hinge so that the carabiner gate can be conveniently unlocked, opened and relocked with one hand.

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